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(57) Abstract: A pharmaceutical composition includes erythromycin A or a derivative thereof and alginic acid. The alginic acid provides taste masking of the erythromycin A or derivative. The erythromycin A derivative may be clarithromycin and the alginic acid may be one or both of alginic acid and its salt. The salt may be one or more of sodium alginate and calcium alginate. The pharmaceutical composition may further include one or more of a binder, a disintegrant, a flavoring agent, and a coating. The pharmaceutical composition also may include one or more active ingredients, including omeprazole, metronidazole, amoxicillin, rifampicin, lansoprazole, ciprofloxacin, ethambutol, and ritonavir. The erythromycin A or a derivative thereof and the one or more active ingredients may be combined in a single pharmaceutical composition.

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